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Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand was mostly moderate, best where features were planned. Wings were clearing satisfactorily. Breast items were in close balance and well cleared. Leg items about adequate. Weights ranged desirable to

light; mostly desirable.

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Jan. 03, 2004

FOOD SERVICE/

	FAST FOOD	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	
Total (000)	18,409	23,913	39,165	81,487
Percentage	23%	29%	48%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

Live Weights	RTC WOG Weights	No. of Head (000)	Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	1,801	2.21
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.	3,689	4.53
3.81 - 4.00 lbs	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	8,875	10.89
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz 2 lbs., 14 oz.l	<u>4,044</u>	<u>4.96</u>
		18 409	22.59

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

					Eggs Set		Chicks Plac	ced Pr	relim. Fed. In	sp.	
Slaughter	Egg		Chicks		10 Weeks		7 Weeks		Million head		
Week	Sets		Placed		Previous		Previous		Slaughtered		
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**	
Nov 15	203,470	102	156,301	106	200,658	99	163,123	99	157,078	99	
Nov 22	203,078	101	156,686	101	194,994	102	159,201	102	151,254	96	
Nov 29	207,122	102	164,879	102	193,272	102	157,538	102	118,334	78	
Dec 06	202,883	101	167,042	103	195,796	102	160,277	103	154,912	131	
Dec 13	206,418	102	166,780	102	194,961	101	158,893	101	153,501	99	
Dec 20	206,340	103	170,156	103	196,586	102	160,248	103	154,431	101	
Dec 27	205,370	102	167,849	103	187,654	101	153,838	101	113,075	73	
Jan 03	206,254	101	167,988	102	190,111	105	155,730	105	134,816	119	
Jan 10	206,536	101	166,997	103	192,300	101	156,694	101	158,835	118	

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority Current Week		Previous Week	Year Ago	
Week of 01/19/04					
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	71-74	72.26	67.58	55.91	
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	65-68	68.57	63.49	55.51	
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	75	74.45	72.92	65.87	
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		69.79	67.70	60.05	
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock	6950)	69.02	68.24	61.27	
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day A	56.81	54.06	40.40		

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast	Southern States	Georgia
Weekly Weighted Average	(Delivered)	(FOB)	(FOB)
	01/16/04	01/16/04	01/19/04
Breast – B/S	151.16	156.97	175.00
Tenderloins	147.75	156.15	202.00 (Line run)
Breast – Line Run	84.24	87.90	92.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	30.62	27.47	32.50
Wings	114.09	111.55	112.50

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